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| Paul K. SHUFFLEBOTHAM et al. |) Group Art Unit: 1763 |
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| For: INDUCTIVELY COUPLED PLASMA CVD |) |

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

THE WAS NOW

In response to the Official Action mailed July 31, 2002, a Petition for an Extension of Time (one month) and the requisite fee being submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 12, before line 30, insert the following new paragraph:

A plurality of gas flows can overlap each other in a plane parallel to an exposed surface of the substrate.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace Claims 50, 56-63 and 65-67 and add new Claim 71 as follows: